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SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
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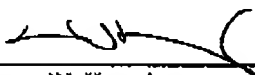
1. X Transmitted herewith is a Response to Office Action.
2.    Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- Enclosed is a verified statement to establish Small Entity status
- X Other than a Small Entity

3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Extra	Present Rate	Fee	Present Rate	Fee
TOTAL	30	MINUS	64	0	x \$9	\$0	x \$18	\$0
INDEP.	2	MINUS	4	0	x \$43	\$0	x \$86	\$0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+\$145	\$0	+\$290	\$0
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4. X Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$ 980.00.

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

(a) X Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
two months	\$ 430.00	\$215.00
<u>X</u> three months	\$ 980.00	\$490.00
four months	\$1,530.00	\$765.00
five months	\$2,080.00	\$1040.00

Extension fee due with this request \$ 980.00.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. (Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid thereof of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.  
Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

X If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Account No. 23-3000.

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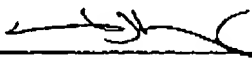
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